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SUBJECT: (Optional) Monthly Report -- Panama Bureau				
FROM: Chief, Operations Group		EXTENSION	NO.	
			DATE August 1987	
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1. C/Ops	21 Sep		B	JB
2.				JB
3. C/E&PS	23 Sep		F	
4. DD/FBIS	9/23		G	
5. D/FBIS	23 Sep		R	
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7. PO/RA	9/24		Am	
8. SA/CD	9/24		Am	ER
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14. C/B&F			B	
15. Exec. Reg.				

FOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE
PANAMA BUREAU
DRAWER 927
APO MIAMI 34004

4 September 1987
MPA-7015

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report -- Panama Bureau -- August 1987

I. GENERAL

A. Relations between the U.S. Embassy and Panamanian Government remained strained during August, thus precluding any progress on Internet. In fact, the Panamanian Foreign Ministry sent the embassy two follow-up notes to its original 30 July note stating that full authorization to operate Internet had not been granted. The first follow-up note claimed that transmissions continued to be detected from Chiva Chiva and demanded that all such transmissions be immediately stopped. The second claimed that the embassy had misinterpreted the Foreign Ministry's earlier permission to operate Internet. Despite the allegations, the embassy/bureau response has remained that we have consistently complied with the Panamanian Government. Prospects for resolution are not bright.

B. The overall situation in Panama remains tense. Although the majority of recent demonstrations have been peaceful, the first fatality directly related to the current political unrest occurred on 30 August. Both the government and opposition remain firm in their positions, and the unrest is likely to continue for the foreseeable future. All opposition media remain closed, and operating media continue to be subject to censorship.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Editorial/Monitorial

The Panama situation, the 6-7 August Central American summit in Guatemala, Peruvian President Alan Garcia's attempts to nationalize the banking system, and a border conflict in the Gulf of Venezuela between Venezuela and Colombia drew substantial operational attention during the month. On 6 August alone, a large antigovernment demonstration in

Panama; continued reaction to the Peruvian economic situation; and several long news conference from the Central American summit resulted in an output of over 31,000 words.

B. Communications

The bureau received its Victor PCII during the month. Thanks to the initiative of bureau technicians, who were called upon to perform some necessary alterations, we were able to successfully install the latest Bach software. At month's end, both the computer and software were working well.

C. Cruising

Cruising efforts during the month focused on Cuba and Mexico. We continued our survey to update Cubavision television programming, and several new programs have appeared on Mexican television over satellite that merit sample coverage. Other efforts focused on updating Argentine and Chilean television schedules, and at the end of the month we were involved in a comprehensive rundown of programs of possible monitoring interest originating from Lima television and radio.

D. Lateral Services

At 1730 on 12 August, Deputy Chief of Mission [] called the bureau with an urgent request for translations of speeches given that day by Panamanian Defense Forces Commander Noriega and President Delvalle at a government rally. Within 2 hours, translations of both speeches were completed, edited, and hand-delivered to the ambassador at his residence.

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E. Technical

The bureau's technical section completed the training of all main radio operators and electronics technicians on personal computer word processing operations.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. Cruising monitor [] was promoted to FBN-07/01 effective 16 August.

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2. Journeyman monitor [] resigned effective 7 August.

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3. Editor [] departed Panama on 7 August upon completion of her 12-week training TDY.

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4. Editors [] arrived Panama 10 August for their respective PCS tours.

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5. Editor [] departed Panama PCS on 28 August.

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6. Senior Editor [] departed Panama on 29 August. [] is resigning to attend law school in Washington state.

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7. Communications chief [] returned from a productive 4-week TDY in Key West on 8 August. While in Key West, [] gained valuable experience with the Bach 1.3 software, thus allowing smooth installation of Bach 1.3 upon his return to Panama Bureau. [] was replaced in Key West by senior teletypist [] who now is halfway through her 6-week TDY.

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B. Building and Grounds

During the Army's Department of Engineering and Housing's (DEH) continued installation of new power lines on bureau grounds, cables to three bureau antennas were accidentally cut and are currently under repair. We have informed DEH that the new power lines that are being installed along the bureau's antenna field must be placed within galvanized pipes painted with anticorrosive coating at each place where the power lines cross or meet with our antenna lines. DEH is complying at no cost to the bureau.

IV. VISITS

On 22 August, Lt. Col. R.J. Rinaldo, the Southern Command's Public Affairs Officer, visited the bureau for a brief tour.

V. COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

On 22 August the bureau's social activities committee sponsored an afternoon "Hail and Farewell" picnic at the Albrook Airbase bohio. In between hamburgers and chorizos, we all bid a fond good-bye to staff secretary [] and editors [] and welcomed new editors []. A good turnout of almost 70 people saw chief cooks [] demonstrate their culinary talents and ability to keep the hungry hordes satisfied.

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Chief, Panama Bureau

Panama Bureau Production Report for August 1987

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	572190
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	36590
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	992

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE; (minutes or issues per week)	14220.00 min.	74700.00 min.	220.00 issues
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES; (publishable words per month)			

ARGENTINA

Buenos Aires REUTER in
Spanish

1590

CHILE

Santiago Television Nacional de Chile
Network in
Spanish

3480

CLANDESTINE

Clandestine La Voz Popular in
Spanish to Guatemala 0
Clandestine Radio Farabundo Marti in
Spanish to El Salvador 0
Clandestine Radio Venceremos in
Spanish to El Salvador

14950

COLOMBIA

Bogota Cadena Radial Super in
Spanish 680
Bogota Emisoras Caracol Network in
Spanish 2190
Bogota INRAVISION Television Cadena 1
in
Spanish 6030
Bogota INRAVISION Television Cadena 2
in
Spanish 0
Bogota Television Service in
Spanish 5970
Bogota EL SIGLO in
Spanish

5500

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Bogota EL TIEMPO in Spanish			2580
COSTA RICA			
San Jose Radio Reloj in Spanish	5160		
San Jose LA NACION in Spanish			3520
San Jose LA PRENSA LIBRE in Spanish			440
San Jose LA REPUBLICA in Spanish			510
San Jose LIBERTAD REVOLUCIONARIA in Spanish			1220
San Jose LIBERTAD in Spanish			0
San Jose RUMBO in Spanish			4160
CUBA			
Havana International Service in Quechua	1610		
Havana International Service in Spanish	51280		
Havana CUBAVISION Television in Spanish	690		
Havana PRENSA LATINA in English		1300	
Havana PRENSA LATINA in Spanish		20940	
ECUADOR			
Quito Domestic Service in Spanish	6150		
Quito Radio Quito in Spanish	360		
Quito Voz de los Andes in Spanish	3060		
EL SALVADOR			
San Salvador Canal Doce Television in Spanish	12160		
San Salvador Canal Seis Television in Spanish	4690		
San Salvador Domestic Service in Spanish	11210		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
San Salvador La Voz Panamericana in Spanish	2070		
San Salvador Radio Cadena Sonora in Spanish	5780		
San Salvador Radio Cadena YSKL in Spanish	1780		
San Salvador Radio Cadena YSU in Spanish	3780		
San Salvador Television Educativa in Spanish	970		
San Salvador Television Nacional in Spanish	3740		
San Salvador DIARIO LATINO in Spanish			320
San Salvador EL DIARIO DE HOY in Spanish			340
San Salvador EL MUNDO in Spanish			2170
San Salvador LA NOTICIA in Spanish			0
San Salvador LA PRENSA GRAFICA in Spanish			1460
FRANCE			
Paris AFP in English		0	
Paris AFP in Spanish		26790	
GERMANY			
Hamburg DPA in Spanish		7420	
GUATEMALA			
Guatemala City Cadena de Emisoras Unidas in Spanish	16830		
Guatemala City Domestic Service in Spanish	3900		
Guatemala City PRENSA LATINA in Spanish to PRENSA LATINA Havana	170		
Guatemala City Radio Nuevo Mundo Network in Spanish	330		
Guatemala City Radio Television Guatemala in Spanish	10120		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Guatemala City EL GRAFICO in Spanish			1300
Guatemala City PRENSA LIBRE in Spanish			1740
HONDURAS			
Tegucigalpa Cadena Audio Video in Spanish	1750		
Tegucigalpa Radio America in Spanish	6270		
Tegucigalpa Televisora Hondurena in Spanish	2460		
Tegucigalpa Voz de Honduras Network in Spanish	840		
San Pedro Sula LA PRENSA in Spanish			1150
San Pedro Sula TIEMPO in Spanish			1730
Tegucigalpa EL HERALDO in Spanish			500
Tegucigalpa LA TRIBUNA in Spanish			0
MEXICO			
Mexico City Cadena RASA-IMER in Spanish	180		
Mexico City Red Nacional 13 IMEVISION Television in Spanish	3520		
Mexico City XEW Television Network in Spanish	9700		
Mexico City XHTV Television in Spanish	2220		
Mexico City CERIBUA in Spanish		1460	
Mexico City EL DIA in Spanish			6100
Mexico City EL NACIONAL in Spanish			5640
Mexico City EXCELSIOR in Spanish			4080
Mexico City THE NEWS in English			1160
Mexico City UNOMASUNO in Spanish			3600
NICARAGUA			
Managua International Service in Spanish	490		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Managua Domestic Service in Spanish	34180		
Managua Radio Noticias in Spanish	1630		
Managua Radio Sandino in Spanish	22980		
Managua Sistema Sandinista Television Network in Spanish	1920		
Managua ANN Diplomatic Information Service in Spanish		3220	
Managua ANN in Spanish		4880	
Managua NOTISAL in Spanish		0	
Managua NOTISAL-BALPRESS in Spanish		210	
Managua PRENSA LATINA in Spanish to PRENSA LATINA Havana		1670	
Managua BARRICADA in Spanish			14670
Managua EL NUEVO DIARIO in Spanish			2020
PANAMA			
Panama City Cadena Exitosa in Spanish	2470		
Panama City Circuito RPC Television in Spanish	520		
Panama City Domestic Service in Spanish	22650		
Panama City Panavision Television in Spanish	5010		
Panama City Radio America in Spanish	150		
Panama City Radio TIC TAC in Spanish	4190		
Panama City Telemetro Television in Spanish	1790		
Panama City Television Service in Spanish	0		
Panama City Televisora Nacional in Spanish	6130		
Panama City ACAN in Spanish		25120	
Panama City CRITICA in Spanish			6800

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Panama City DIALOGO SOCIAL in Spanish			0
Panama City EL SIGLO in Spanish			0
Panama City EXTRA in Spanish			0
Panama City LA ESTRELLA DE PANAMA in Spanish			13190
Panama City LA PRENSA in Spanish			0
Panama City LA REPUBLICA DOMINICAL in Spanish			4850
Panama City LA REPUBLICA in Spanish			740
Panama City MATUTINO in Spanish			5500
Panama City QUIUBO GRAFICO in Spanish			0
Panama City STAR AND HERALD in English			5020
Panama City THE SUNDAY REPUBLIC in English			0
Panama City EL SIGLO DOMINICAL in Spanish			0
 PERU			
Lima Domestic Service in Spanish	5570		
Lima Panamericana Television Network in Spanish	4380		
Lima Television Peruana in Spanish	31110		
 SPAIN			
Madrid EFE in Spanish		11710	
 USSR			
Moscow Radio Peace and Progress in Spanish	850		
Moscow in Spanish to Latin America	3790		
Moscow in Spanish to Cuba	690		
 VENEZUELA			
Caracas Domestic Service in Spanish	1280		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Caracas Television Service in Spanish	5640		
Caracas EL NACIONAL in Spanish			0
Caracas EL UNIVERSAL in Spanish			370

PANAMA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR AUGUST 1987 -- ANNEXTOTALS FROM ROSET SOURCES

CHILE

Santiago Television Nacional de Chile Network in Spanish	3,480
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GUATEMALA

Guatemala City PRENSA LATINA in Spanish to PRENSA LATINA Havana	170
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COLOMBIA

Bogota INRAVISION Television Cadena 1 in Spanish	6,030
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Bogota Television Service in Spanish	5,970
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CUBA

Havana PRENSA LATINA in Spanish	20,940
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MEXICO

Mexico City XEW Television Network in Spanish	9,700
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Mexico City Red Nacional IMEVISION Television in Spanish	3,520
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Mexico City XHTV Television in Spanish	2,220
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Mexico City Cadena RASA-IMER in Spanish	180
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Mexico City CERIGUA in Spanish	1,460
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NICARAGUA

Managua ANN in Spanish	4,880
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Managua ANN Diplomatic Information Service in Spanish	3,220
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Managua PRENSA LATINA in Spanish to PRENSA LATINA Havana	1,670
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Managua NOTISAL-SALPRESS in Spanish	210
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PERU

Lima Television Peruana in Spanish	31,110
Lima Panamericana Television Network in Spanish	4,380
Lima Domestic Service in Spanish	5,570

VENEZUELA

Caracas Television Service in Spanish	5,640
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TOTAL FOR AUGUST 1987	<u>110,350</u>
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